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Subject: Material Evaluation 1992 Operational Plans

1. Material Evaluation

Program Objective:	To identify the chemical composition of the commercial materials used at the various Philip Morris facilities in order to screen the materials for their acceptability in cigarette manufacturing.
Operational Plan:	The primary mode of instrumentation used in the Materials Evaluation Program is infrared spectroscopy and the accessories associated with it. The X-Ray fluorescence spectroscopy, pyrolysis, halogen tests, and mass spectroscopy will be employed as needed.
Duration of Study:	This study is a continuous program.
Estimated Resources:	The program will use 2.5 persons per year.

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